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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed **June 25, 2002**, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group III (claims 30-34 and 37-45), drawn to an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding an avian *E. coli* *Iss* polypeptide, an expression vector and an immunogenic composition comprising the same. Applicants' Representatives reserve the right to pursue examination of the non-elected claims in continuation or divisional applications. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restrictions in this case and submit that the inventions as claimed can be readily evaluated in one search without placing undue burden on the Examiner.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10:

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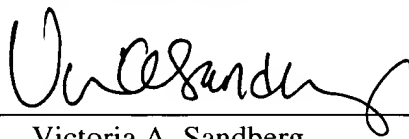
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